

# MOBILE COUNTY COMMISSION

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## FREE PET ADOPTIONS MAY 31 AND JUNE 1

### Mobile County Joins Maddie's Pet Adoption Days to Empty Our Shelter

The Mobile County Animal Shelter is participating in a gigantic adoption event to place all of our adoptable dogs and cats in qualified homes. **Free adoptions will be offered on May 31 and June 1, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Pinebrook Shopping Center (on Airport Blvd. near McGregor) in the old Blockbuster location.**

More than 200 shelters and rescues in 14 communities throughout the United States are participating in the fifth annual Maddie's Pet Adoption Days sponsored by the Pleasanton, CA based Maddie's Fund. Maddie's Fund has set aside \$10 million to provide shelters and rescue groups with an adoption stipend per pet adopted during the event. Stipends range from \$500 to \$2,000.\*

Maddie's Pet Adoption Days is being held to increase awareness of homeless animals, boost adoptions, and support the shelters and rescue organizations in the participating communities.

The event honors the memory of the foundation's namesake a Miniature Schnauzer named Maddie. Maddie was a little dog, who made a big impact on the Duffield family, and they want every homeless dog and cat to have what she had – a loving home.

In the meantime, pets are currently available for adoption at the Mobile County Animal Shelter located at 7665 Howells Ferry Road. To view all the current adoptable pets, go to: [www.mobilecountyanimals.com](http://www.mobilecountyanimals.com). For more information about the holiday adoption event, call 574-3647.

There is a large selection of kittens, cats, puppies and dogs available for adoption. Among the pets looking for a home is Evan, a lovable American Bulldog mix. He was brought into the shelter after roaming the streets for two months. He is about three years old, and is very playful, friendly and very much craves attention. Evan is looking for a good family to show him some love.

*\*Maddie's Fund will pay organizations \$500 for each healthy animal under the age of seven, \$1,000 for each adoption involving a dog or cat who is seven years of age or older or who has been treated for one or more treatable medical conditions; and \$2,000 for each adoption involving a dog or cat who is seven years of age or older and who has been treated with one or more treatable medical conditions (list is available at <http://adopt.maddiesfund.org>).*

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